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**RE: DOCKET NO. 98N-1265** 

To the FDA:

I am writing you as a consumer of health care services to express my concern and disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding as published by the FDA on January 21, 1999.

The MOU, in its present form, as well as the Compounding Section 503A of the Modernization Act, severely restricts the rights of the physicians and patients to obtain healthcare products from the provider of their choice. It also infringes on the rights of compounding pharmacists to serve the publics medical needs. As a healthcare consumer I believe there should be no restrictions to the delivery of compounded medication prescribed for me, regardless of where I live or travel. The MOU must be amended!!!

The FDA is an agency of the U.S. Government that purports to be the "watchdog" for consumer safety. THIS IS NOT A SAFETY ISSUE!! As a governmental agency, the FDA also has a responsibility to be accountable to the people. Once again, the MOU must be amended so there will be no restrictions to the delivery of compounded medications.

Sincerely yours,

Resident of Virginia